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DeWeese corruption trial in jury's hands

A jury began deliberations Thursday in the corruption trial of one of the state's longest-serving lawmakers, accused of using state workers to campaign for him for free.

State Rep. Bill DeWeese, who has represented southwestern Pennsylvania for 36 years, is charged with conflict of interest, theft and conspiracy. If convicted, he faces up to 38 years in prison.

The case stems from a larger investigation dubbed "Bonusgate" that ensnared 10 House Democrats and nine House Republicans, including former Republican House Speaker John Perzel of Philadelphia, who pleaded guilty but has not been sentenced.

Instructing the jury in Dauphin County Court, Judge Todd Hoover told the seven women and five men to use common sense to reach a verdict and "not concern yourself with the outcome."

After jurors left the courtroom to deliberate, DeWeese's 91-year-old mother Dotty broke down and sobbed in her son's arms. DeWeese testified in his own defense that he did nothing wrong. DeWeese has said if he is exonerated he plans to run for re-election. **REUTERS**

Ending fragmented policy toward thousands of lots

City's approach to 40,000 vacant properties costs millions a year in maintenance and unpaid taxes ● New proposal for 'land bank' database

RICARD LARMA/METRO

▶ Lawmakers want a complete database of rundown, vacant lots like these.

Councilmembers Maria Quinones-Sanchez and Bill Green introduced legislation Thursday that would consolidate the 10,000 land parcels comprised of 40,000 city-owned properties into a land bank, a single entity that could prepare the real estate to be more quickly and easily reused.

Right now, the vacant properties cost the city $20 million a year in maintenance and owe $70 million in back taxes.

"The city system of acquiring vacant properties is a very challenging and fragmented process," said Rick Sauer of the Philadelphia Association of Community Development Corporations, who has been advocating the initiative for years.

"Different city agencies hold properties and have different disposition policies," Quinones-Sanchez said. "A land bank establishes a comprehensive city policy."

Philadelphia's vacant properties have long been the target of anti-blight efforts. "Where I live, I constantly have to see trash and crime," said Connie Morrow of the Campaign to Take Back Vacant Land, a coalition of 30 nonprofits.

"It's very scary, because I don't know who's going to jump out of a vacant lot, who's in a vacant house getting raped or smoking crack," she said. "We want to turn them into usable properties so we can build a community with housing, stores and jobs."

"The issue of vacant properties has a tremendous impact on homeowners, whether you live across the street from a vacant lot and your property value declines or whether you're a developer trying to acquire vacant properties," Sauer said.

There are more than 75 land banks across the country, but few in major cities, save Detroit and Atlanta. "With this legislation, Philadelphia can be a national leader among large urban areas," he said.

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In the news

Beating over beer money

An Upper Darby woman is lucky to be alive after allegedly being brutally assaulted by her live-in boyfriend because she refused to give him beer money, according to police. The assault allegedly happened 2 a.m. Monday. Kevin Knapp, 38, allegedly took $300 from his girlfriend's drawer, then choked her unconscious when she tried to stop him. When she awoke, the beating continued. **METRO/SDL**

In the news

Fiery meeting

The director of the Oscar-nominated "Gasland", which portrays shale gas production as dangerous, was arrested and escorted out of a Republican-dominated congressional hearing Wednesday, touching off a dispute over public access to the event. Police handcuffed Josh Fox and led him out of a House science committee room after he refused to stop filming. **REUTERS**

Record arm bone at Franklin

PHILADELPHIA. The Franklin Institute unveiled a 5-foot upper arm bone cast Thursday of a dinosaur called the Paralititan as a part of its Giant Mysterious Dinosaurs exhibit. The display marks the first time any part of the Paralititan, the second-largest dinosaur ever discovered, will be shown outside of Egypt.

The massive partial skeleton of the dinosaur, estimated to be five stories high and weigh 40 tons, was first discovered in 2000. **METRO/AW**

Body found inside Mill Creek car

WEST PHILADELPHIA. Police found a man's body in the backseat of a car Thursday morning in Mill Creek.

The unidentified light-complected black male was found lying facedown covered in blood in the backseat of a tan Ford Taurus on the 5500 block of Ogden Street and pronounced dead on the scene at 8:30 a.m., nine minutes after he was found. The car keys were found on the street next to the driver's side door. **METRO/AW**

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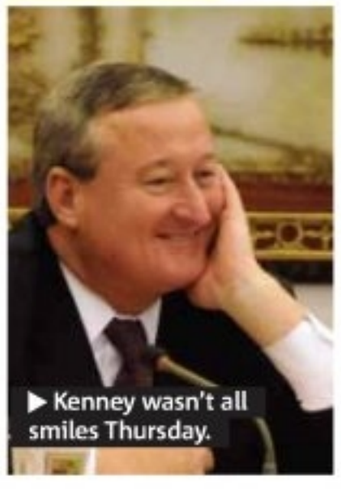

▶ Kenney wasn't all smiles Thursday.

A resolution passed Thursday urging Harrisburg to reconsider its proposed asset test for those participating in a state program called Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. The initiative touched on a long-standing sore spot for city legislators.

▶ "I've been around Harrisburg for 35 years," Councilman Jim Kenney said. "I understand you don't care about us and you're not going to help us. But if you're not going to help us, can you please leave us alone?"

Johnny Doc honored

PHILADELPHIA. City Council passed a resolution Thursday honoring International Brotherhood of Electrical Worker's Local 98 union business manager John Dougherty for his role as the grand marshal of the upcoming Saint Patrick's Day parade. Councilman Bobby Henon introduced the resolution.

'Soul Train' in Council

PHILADELPHIA. Kenney recognized "Soul Train" host Don Cornelius.

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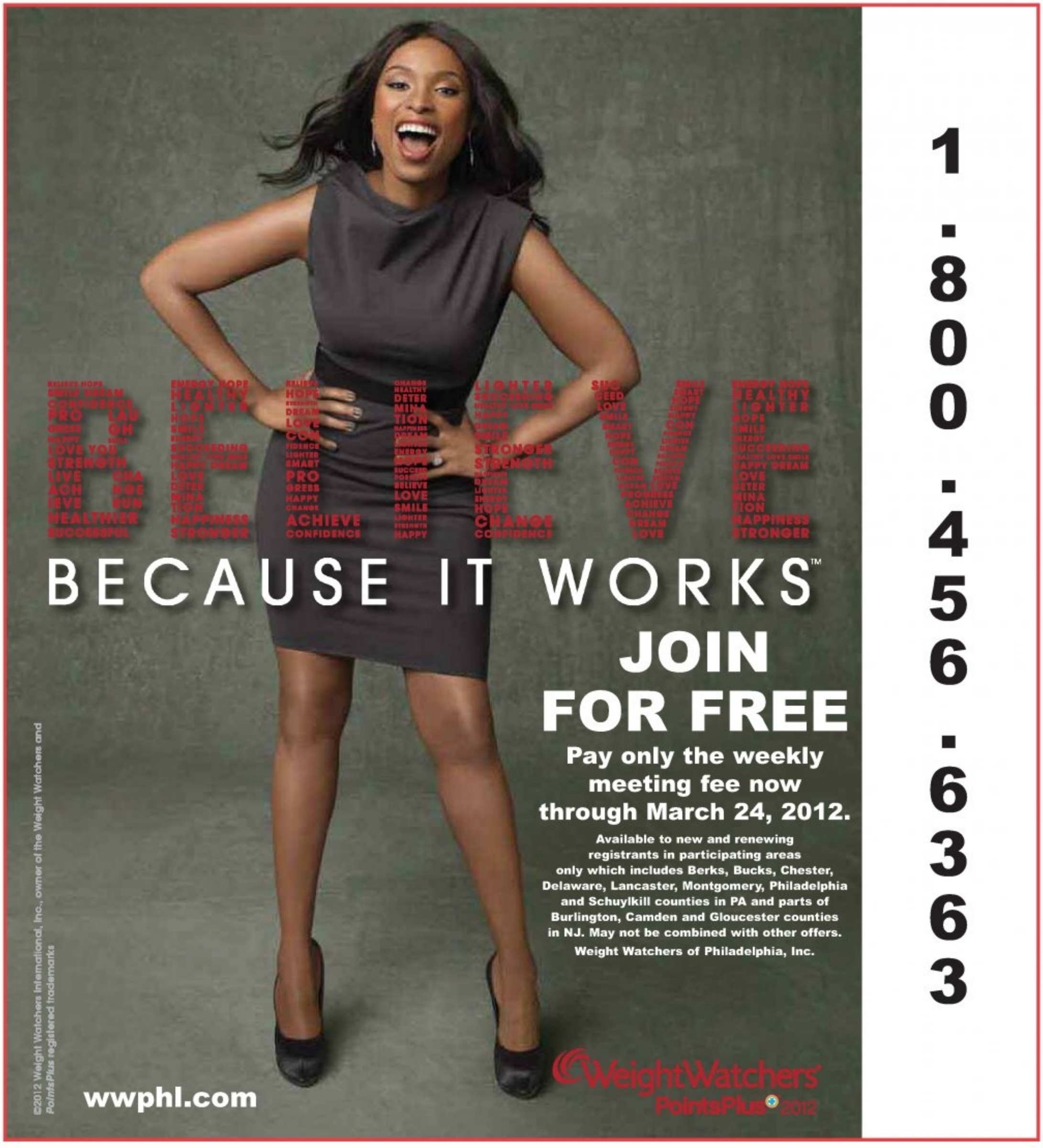
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Proposal to turn yellow buses into cash cows

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▶ A proposal to put ads on the side of school buses prompted Mary Tracy of the Society Created to Reduce Urban Blight to say "something is dramatically wrong with our priorities right now."

After last week's proposition of raising money for schools by extending bar hours, Councilwoman Blondell Reynolds Brown introduced a bill Thursday intended to raise funds for the district in yet another unconventional way — advertising on school buses.

"I intend to make this continued quest to identify non-traditional solutions for our schools a centerpiece of my work in this new term in City Council," she said in a statement. "I believe the responsible task is to exhaust all other potential resources as far as new dollars for the School District," she added yesterday after the meeting.

Reynolds Brown estimated that the initiative would raise about $1 million. "Even if you argue [that] it's just a drop in a bucket, that drop may fund a music teacher or a physical education program," she said.

Also similar to last week's bill, the legislation would require Harrisburg approval, as PennDOT regulates school buses.

Though the idea has raised some criticism, Reynolds Brown said that advertising on the sides and back of school buses has successfully raised revenue in other states — including New Jersey, which began the practice last year and helped give Reynolds Brown the idea.

"It's written into the legislation that we would stipulate the content in place and structure what the ads look like," she said, so there will be no endorsements promoting inappropriate content.

As with her other legislation, Reynolds Brown said she is open to suggestions and nothing is set in stone. "I think it's important to at least talk about it and have the conversation," she said. "Then we can streamline the legislation to be more acceptable to the mainstream."

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Combined estimated new funds for the broke city school system from Reynolds-Brown's proposal to push bar hours to 3 a.m. and put ads on the side of school buses. A $61 million deficit looms for the coming school year.

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SEPTA center opens for disabled

CENTER CITY. SEPTA opened a training center for disabled riders Thursday at Suburban Station.

The center features mock vehicles and station platforms that disabled riders can practice boarding, along with audiovisual teaching materials. SEPTA received a $140,000 federal grant to help pay for the center.

"There is no part of our society more dependent on public transportation than people with disabilities," said Rod Powell, chair of SEPTA's accessible transportation committee.

METRO/SDL

Babysitter also alleged abuser

MONTGOMERY COUNTY. A Norristown man who pleaded guilty to child pornography charges is now accused of sexually assaulting one of the children in the photos.

Gary Romano, 56, admitted to possessing child pornography after being charged last July. After his arrest, authorities discovered photos of him allegedly abusing the 2-year-old girl. Prosecutors say he confessed to babysitting the girl and taking the pictures.

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▶ No exact cause has been determined for the death of a bat belonging to an endangered species found near a wind farm about 60 miles east of Pittsburgh.

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Dead bat puts Pa. wind project on hold

Federal regulators are now reconsidering the application for a 30-turbine wind farm in southcentral Pennsylvania after an endangered species of Indiana bat was found dead near a 35-turbine farm, according to reports. Officials have since shut down that existing farm's nighttime operation while the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service evaluates the situation. METRO

SugarHouse slots surge, but remain near bottom

RICARD LABMA/METRO

▶ The casino ranked eighth out of 10 casinos in the state.

Aided by warm temperatures, SugarHouse Casino hit the jackpot in January, as slot machine revenue jumped well above 2011's first month.

The casino raked in a cool $15.5 million from slot machines last month, an increase of 54 percent from January 2011, according to figures released today by the state Gaming Control Board. That represented the biggest year-over-year increase among Pennsylvania's 10 casinos, which experienced a 7.7 percent increase statewide.

Harrah's Chester Casino and Racetrack was the only facility see a decline in slots revenue, collecting $20.1 million, a drop of 6.8 percent.

SugarHouse has posted lackluster numbers since opening an interim facility in September 2010. Despite the surge, the casino's slots revenue in January still ranked eighth among the 10 casinos. As usual, Parx Casino in Bensalem topped the list with $31.6 million, an increase of 9 percent from last year.

SugarHouse plans a $125 million expansion, which would nearly double the size of the gaming floor and include a parking garage. Construction is expected to begin this summer and be completed in 2013.

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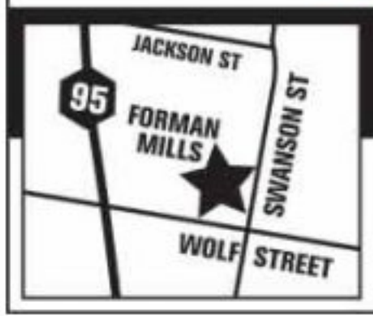

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Unpaid intern sues Hearst Corp.

A former intern at Harper's Bazaar is suing the magazine's publisher, Hearst Corporation, saying that her internship violates labor laws because it was unpaid, according to a lawsuit filed in federal court in New York.

Xuedan Wang, 28, was an intern at the magazine's accessories department from August to December last year, where she typically worked at least 40 hours a week, and sometimes as much as 55 hours, without pay, according to her lawsuit filed on Wednesday.

"Unpaid interns are becoming the modern-day equivalent of entry-level employees, except that employers are not paying them for the many hours they work," the lawsuit says.

REUTERS

Feds seize 16 websites

Three days before Super Bowl XLVI, federal prosecutors said they have seized 16 websites that illegally streamed live sports and pay-per-view events over the Internet, and charged a Michigan man with running nine of those websites.

According to the government, the 16 websites provided links to give viewers easy access to other sites that hosted pirated telecasts from the National Football League, National Basketball Association, National Hockey League, World Wrestling Entertainment Inc. and TNA Impact Wrestling. The latter is also broadcast on Viacom Inc.'s Spike TV.

"These websites and their operators deprive sports leagues and networks of legitimate revenue" in what amounts to "virtual thievery."
U.S. ATTORNEY PREET BHARARA

"These websites and their operators deprive sports leagues and networks of legitimate revenue" in what amounts to "virtual thievery," said U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara in Manhattan, who announced the website seizures. REUTERS

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Festivities. Groundhog Day

▶ Groundhog handler Ron Ploucha holds Punxsutawney Phil after he saw his shadow predicting 6 more weeks of winter.

Phil: Six more weeks of winter

Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow at around 7:25 a.m. yesterday, watched by millions on television, and signaling, according to folklore, that there will be another six weeks of winter. The groundhog has issued an annual forecast since 1887 and has seen his shadow on 99 occasions since then.

Atlantic City gets facelift

Atlantic City will get a facelift from a plan approved by a special authority including an overhaul of its famed boardwalk and news rides on the pier.

The Atlantic City market is the second-largest gambling center in the United States after Las Vegas but faces stiff competition from casinos in Pennsylvania, New York and New England.

The plan calls for a major overhaul of the boardwalk, including creation of an entertainment zone, new lighting, pavilions and art.

Some of the city's major thoroughfares will get a new look such as along Atlantic Avenue, where an arts and boutique district is planned.

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Romney plays Trump

Endorsement surprised media and Gingrich — who seemed to assume Trump's golden handshake was his

Real estate mogul Donald Trump reinjected himself and his wealth into the Republican presidential race by endorsing Mitt Romney on Thursday. Trump, himself an on-again, off-again Republican presidential candidate and former member of the party, said he would back Romney in the race for the nomination to oppose President Barack Obama in the Nov. 6 election.

Trump told reporters he got to know the former Massachusetts governor during several recent conversations and was impressed with his tough talk on China and said he was won over by Romney's strong performance campaigning in Florida. "I was very impressed by the last two debates," he said.

Trump, who announced he was leaving the party two months ago, seems an unlikely choice for Republican kingmaker. But the casino owner and reality television star is popular in Nevada, and from the Romney team's perspective it is better to have him with them than against them.

Trump, who estimated last year that his personal net worth could be as high as $7 billion, was derided as he mulled entering the presidential race last year for pushing a discredited charge that Obama was not born in the U.S. **REUTERS**

Gingrich blocked

Romney seemed to snatch Trump's backing from his main rival, Gingrich.

Media had reported late on Wednesday that Trump would support the former House speaker, whose presidential campaign has been struggling since his upset victory over Romney in South Carolina on Jan. 21.

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▶ Donald Trump shakes hands with Republican presidential hopeful Mitt Romney after announcing his endorsement of Romney at Trump International Hotel & Tower on Thursday in Las Vegas.

President touts his God credentials

WASHINGTON. President Barack Obama sought to emphasize his Christian faith on Thursday, telling a key election-year voting bloc that he prays every morning and has crafted elements of his economic policies in line with Jesus' teachings.

Obama, who rarely goes to church and speaks far less about his religion than his White House predecessors, told about 3,000 people at a National Prayer Breakfast that the challenges facing the United States required him to listen to God, avoid "phony religiosity," and pursue "bold action" in the face of resistance or indifference. **REUTERS**

"I wake up each morning and I say a brief prayer, and I spend a little time in scripture and devotion."
OBAMA

Seeing through Obama's transparency

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We've devoted a lot of time lately toward highlighting the campaign hijinks of the Republican nominees — for good reason! — but this weekend we're going to take a step back and think a bit more long term.

This turn was affected by a pair of timely circumstances. First: During a discussion this week about the upcoming November presidential election, a pal made it clear that he wasn't particularly enamored with President Obama; that he hoped for a change of leadership; and that he was unequivocally going to vote for a second Obama term.

This logical leap is a quirk of U.S. politics, where the two-party system ensures most people vote within the presumed cone of electability. If, as occurred most damagingly in 2000, a third-party vote ends up working in favor of the candidate one deems the less-acceptable of our two establishment evils, it is judged as having been wasted. Why, this dear friend asked, risk the election of a Romney or a Gingrich when we can rest safely in the dissatisfaction of another relatively-less-awful Obama term?

Which brings us to circumstance No. 2: The American Civil Liberties Union this week filed a lawsuit against Obama administration agencies in an effort to learn the legal justification for the government's policy of targeted assassinations of American citizens — including al Qaeda terrorist Anwar Awlaki and his 16-year-old son, Abdulrahman, in Yemen.

(Note that the ACLU has not attempted to subvert this sort of killing, but merely to discover the legal basis for its use, including, according to an ACLU blog post, "the process by which the administration adds Americans to secret government 'kill lists.'")

Following drone strikes in fall 2011, the ACLU and others including The New York Times filed several Freedom of Information Act requests with the government, but to no avail. The Obama administration, once hailed by the president's press secretary as being "the most transparent ... ever," is, in the ACLU's words, treating the "targeted killing program [as] so secret that they can't even acknowledge that it exists."

To many, this will all seem quite acceptable. Mercilessly attacking and killing our sworn enemies is nothing but the mission statement of America in a post-9/11 world.

But a difficulty arises when the enemies we're clandestinely killing happen to be U.S. citizens. There may be no more distressing executive overreach than the power of the president to secretly select and execute Americans with absolutely no judicial oversight. Couple this with the fact that the president routinely trots these killings out as evidence of his leadership in the war on terror and you've got a contradiction more stark than Romney following up his "I'm not concerned about the very poor" gaffe with an endorsement from Donald Trump.

Sure, these issues could actually get worse under Republican leadership, but honestly how much worse could it get? Obama wants to have his cake and kill it, too: to campaign as a liberal, lead as a moderate and reign as a tyrant.

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90%

This past Monday, the president held a Google+ hangout, taking video questions from Web users. Of the questions submitted — which participants could vote up or down — 18 of the 20 most popular questions related to the unpopular war on drugs, specifically the question of marijuana legalization. Obama fielded none of these.

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▶ The president hopes you vote with your party this upcoming November. Talk about a wasted vote.

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WEEKEND

Radcliffe in the post-Potter world

Review

'The Woman in Black'

Director: James Watkins
Cast: Daniel Radcliffe, Ciaran Hinds
Rating: PG-13
Grade: ●●●○○

You can't help it at first. When the initial scenes unspool from the tale of "The Woman in Black" it's — wait — Harry Potter has a kid? There he goes to a dour old mansion in the middle of nowhere. It looks like Hogwarts. When are the gilded portraits going to start talking to him?

Those Harry Potter gadflies will disappear in the second act. Falling in line with the higher level of art that Guillermo Del Toro has brought to the horror genre in recent years, this isn't your typical gory body-count schlock-fest. Granted, most of the scares come from that reliable formula of lulling the audience into a comfortable mood before the inevitable surprise, "The Woman in Black" tries to bring class and solid storytelling to what has been cheapened by the likes of the "Saw" franchise. ● METRO/HP

After saying goodbye to a decade of Harry Potter, Daniel Radcliffe says he's ready to show that, behind the boy wizard, he is a real actor willing to play a wide variety of roles. First, he acted in the well-received Broadway revival of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." Now, we have the Gothic period horror film "The Woman in Black," in which he plays a widower and lawyer in a town haunted by secrets.

What motivated you to accept the challenge here — a horror film that's certainly not for children?

[It was] Jane Goldman's script, and the meeting with the director, James Watkins. [My character] Arthur is so complex, but there is a real calm in him. It was an interesting character to play.

How would you describe him?

As a man so destroyed by the death of his wife who has been almost impossible to live in the human world for four years. Arthur could not connect with people, especially his son. He loves him, but he has not been there for him as he should have been, could not give him a happy childhood until now, because he has not the capacity for happiness.

What did you struggle with the most in playing Arthur?

[His] apparent calm. There are times when we are not sure what Arthur thinks. We know that they might not be happy thoughts, but we are not sure exactly why, or what passes at certain times. This allows the public to have more space to connect, because they can insert whatever emotion they assume he must be feeling. Ambiguity plays a crucial role for the existence of a connection.

Any worries that the audience will still see you as Harry Potter?

I'm very proud of Potter, but now I have to show people I'm serious about acting, and I think the way is to start by selecting interesting material.

DANIELA PÉREZ
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Apparitions abound in Daniel Radcliffe's first film to follow the franchise that made him famous But Voldemort's got nothing on the menacing ghost of 'The Woman in Black'

▶ This is the last Harry Potter joke, honest. But you're so channeling Snape there, Radcliffe.

"I'm very proud of Potter, but now I have to show people I'm serious about acting, and I think the way is to start by selecting interesting material." RADCLIFFE

Q&A

Are you really into ghosts on film? First "Harry," now this.

Yes, when I met James the first time, he mentioned a quote from Kubrick about how all movies with a supernatural element are intrinsically linked because they involve life after death. Here's this guy who lost his wife, goes to this house and starts seeing the ghost of a dead woman. The reason for staying there to find it almost comes as hidden desire, or instinct, to get an assurance that his wife is in a better place.

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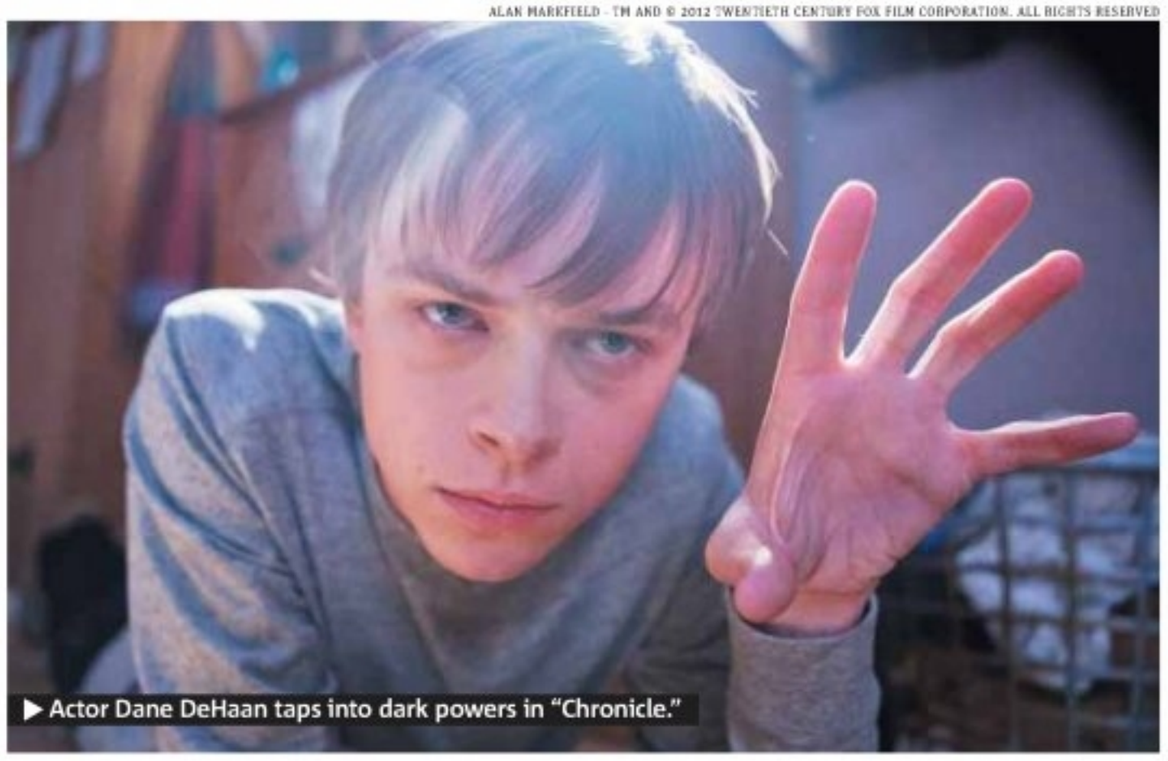

▶ Actor Dane DeHaan taps into dark powers in "Chronicle."

Found-footage filmmaking done right

First-time director Josh Trank takes a genre that was quickly careening into gimmick territory — the found-footage/POV style of "Cloverfield" — and injects new life into it with his debut, "Chronicle." Of course, it helps that one of his three teenage main characters, outcast Andrew (Dane DeHaan), is something of a cinephile and obsessive self-documentarian, which means a distinct lack of shaky camerawork for Andrew. And it further helps that Andrew and his pals (Alex Russell and Michael B. Jordan) develop awesome telekinetic powers after a run-in with a mysterious glowing object buried under a field. Before long, Andrew realizes he can control his camera with his mind, having it hover around him in smooth, music video-worthy motions. Kids these days.

But even before the powers manifest, Trank deals with the first-person shooting in a much more elegant way than other filmmakers have before him. The story, as well, is a refreshing take on old territory: what happens when everyday people develop superpowers. Here, there are no Spandex suits or a sense of community service — apparently, with great power really comes great mischief and petty retribution. It's a much more believable depiction of teenagers lives' turning into comic books, and much more enjoyable.

If you go

'Chronicle'
Director: Josh Trank
Cast: Michael B. Jordan, Dane DeHaan, Michael Kelly, Alex Russell
Rating: PG-13
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In "Big Miracle," John Krasinski stars as Adam Carlson, the TV news reporter who breaks the story that the whales are trapped, which prompts outlets across the globe to come to Barrow, Ala., to get in on the scoop.

His ex-girlfriend, Rachel Kramer (Barrymore), is a Greenpeace volunteer who attaches herself to the cause by doing whatever possible to free the whales, even diving into to the frigid Arctic to get a close-up view of how they're doing.

You'll get frustrated as the characters run into obstacles while trying to save the massive mammals, and you'll feel as triumphant as they do when solutions are found.

Because the film's based on a true story, one of the most fun parts is the epilogue — when the photos of the real-life heroes involved in the story flash across the screen. (As this is Hollywood, the actors are considerably more beautiful than their real-life counterparts.) The end also boasts a cameo from a certain former Alaskan governor — if you can count superimposed footage as a cameo — which serves as a funny wink to all the grown-ups in the crowd.

If you go

'Big Miracle'
Director: Ken Kwapis
Cast: Drew Barrymore, John Krasinski, Kristen Bell
Rating: PG **Grade:** ●●●○○

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THE INNKEEPERS (R) Fri 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; Sat and Sun 1:30-4:15-7:00-9:45.
MISS BALA (R) 4:00, 9:25
MY WEEK WITH MARILYN (R) Fri 1:20, 4:10, 7:10, 9:30; Sat and Sun 1:20-4:10-7:10-9:30.
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The less-super powers of Marvel comic books

The Asian Arts Initiative's 'Marvels & Monsters' exhibit looks at some particularly disturbing villains

There were no video games or Internet or even cable in 1956, but there was "Yellow Claw" — and for a comic book, it did a pretty impressive job of feeding kids harmful misinformation. Known on his off hours as Plan Chu, Yellow Claw was a Marvel supervillain who sought to take down Captain America with a combination of magic, martial arts and communism.

The series is one of many comic books and graphic novels included in the Asian Arts Initiative's new exhibit, "Marvels & Monsters." Assembled from the collections of science fiction author William F. Wu, the show includes images from 1942 through 1986 that reflect historical tensions and stereotypes of Asian Americans.

"No matter how far we think we've come, we have to remember to be critical of images," says Nancy Chen, program assistant and local exhibition coordinator at AAI. "We don't want to provide answers, but by providing a dialogue we wanted to invite the community to look at the past and present."

▶ "Yellow Claw" is just one of the featured comics.

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If you go

"Marvels & Monsters" opens with a reception on Friday (6-8 p.m.) at the Asian Arts Initiative (1219 Vine St.). Programming includes a free, four-part comic book workshop for those in grades 7 through 12. Call 215-557-0455 for more info and to register.

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Observing our non-spaces

Painter Steven Baris' new series of abstract paintings examines our hidden landscapes Show opens for First Friday at Pentimenti Gallery

By the time painter Steven Baris was in high school, he had lived on at least four different Native American reservations in the Pacific Northwest and California. The landscape must have felt foreign to his father, a lifelong New Yorker who happened to find a job with the Department of Indian Affairs. But Baris-the-younger couldn't help but adopt some of the Native American reverence for land and place.

Since moving to Philadelphia in 1984 to attend the Tyler School of Art, Baris has been obsessed with the way that Americans relate to their environment.

His latest series of abstract paintings — "Stations of the Cube," opening Friday at the Pentimenti Gallery — explores the hidden landscapes in which we live.

"Recently, I've been fascinated by distribution centers on the [N.J. Turnpike]. The landscape has been completely reinvented with these massive structures. Few people even go near these spaces other than truck drivers. We don't think about them, but they have enormous impact on our lives," says Baris. "Writers and artists and thinkers are always talking about cities, and the suburbs have been hashed over quite a lot over the last two decades. But there hasn't been a whole lot of observation and reflection about these other spaces — these non-spaces."

"Stations" is a series of 10 paintings — on canvas, Plexiglas and Mylar — ranging from 20 inches in diameter to nearly 7 feet and utilizing transparent paint — often on transparent surfaces, to boot.

"It's a way to get at the kind of pictorial space that I'm trying to create: a hovering sense of not quite here, not quite there," explains Baris. "For me, to work on a surface that is itself transparent really energizes the painting."

STEVEN BARIS

▶ "Somewhere Beyond or Behind" is by Steven Baris.

If you go

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Football that's easy on the eyes, played as hard

Sunday's Lingerie Bowl IX is a rematch between the Los Angeles Temptation and the Philadelphia Passion

Passion

Christy Bell

Quarterback, Philadelphia Passion

Thoughts on your rivals?
Losing to them by one point was so hard last year. It's going to be a little more emotional on Sunday — we're gonna be angry during the game.
What's the key to victory?

We might change one or two things with our defense, but our offense has been set all year. We have our throwing game, which we showed off [in the conference finals], and then we have a fantastic running game.
Pregame rituals?
We do a whole team thing — we rile each other up, we do pep talks, we have our team prayer right before the game. We do a lot of yelling.
What's the first thing you'll do if you win on Sunday?
Run into the locker room and pop a bottle of champagne!
What do you do when you're not playing football?
I'm still in school and usually I'm waitressing or bartending. I was still writing papers this week and doing homework.

Temptation

Ogom Chijindu

Wide receiver/safety, Los Angeles Temptation

Thoughts on your rivals?
I'm not knocking them — they do have some talent — but because we beat them once [in the 2011 Lingerie Bowl], I don't think it will be hard to beat them again.
What's the key to victory?
Shut down their one-woman show, [running back] Marirose Roach. ... If we can shut her down, force the run on the inside, they won't be able to score on us.
Pregame rituals?
I like to eat Slim Jims. I eat them before every single game, and we've won every time.
What's the first thing you'll do if you win on Sunday?
Take a really long and overdue vacation as a team.
What do you do when you're not playing football?
I'm a Hooters girl/Hooters trainer. METRO

Tune-in

The MTV2 "ultimate tailgate" kicks off at 11 a.m. on Sunday with a special edition of "Sucker Free Countdown" from DJ Envy's Game Day Bash in NYC. It's followed by coverage of the Lingerie Football League's Lingerie Bowl IX. Kickoff is live at 4 p.m. on MTV2 during halftime of Sunday's other big game.

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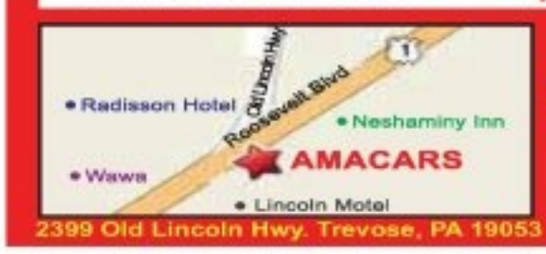

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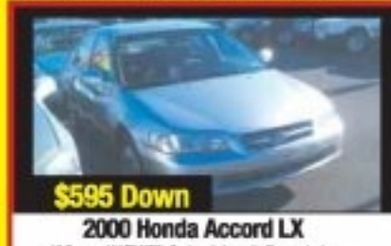
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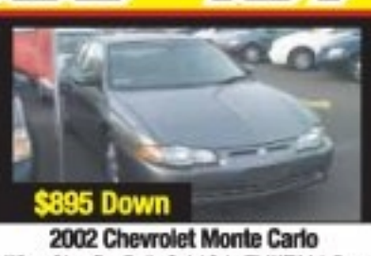
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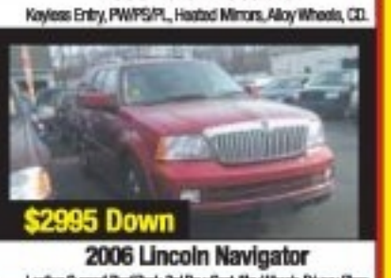
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The feed ...

Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Courteney Cox is sober, Michael Caine is chilling, Kathy Griffin likes exploring local culture, Conan O'Brien earns two spots, Questlove remembers a legend and Joan Rivers has her claws out.

@CourteneyCox
It's my first day not on the set. I already miss the drinking. I've had to resort to Pinkberry.

@themichaelcaine
Chilling with friends and family, its what its all about. Good Luck to all of you.

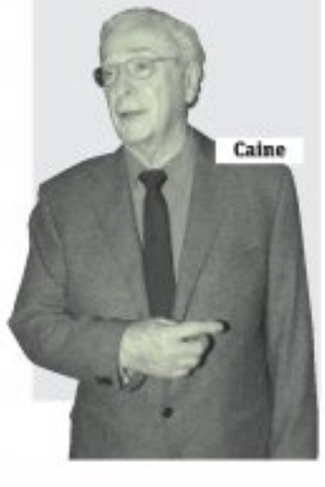
@kathygriffin
Last time I did a show in Jacksonville FLA, a dude invited me 2 watch him "do donuts in mah pick up in the Outback parking lot"

@ConanOBrien
Being a celebrity means I can get any restaurant reservation when George Clooney cancels at the last minute.

@ConanOBrien
I like the name "Groundhog Day" much better than the original "Pull Out The Dirt Rat Time."

@questlove
140 characters can't do justice 2 #DonCornelius impact.

@Joan_Rivers
Paula Abdul was fired from "The X Factor." She would have kept her job if it had been called "The Rx Factor."


Caine

THE WORD

Metro's **Monica Weymouth** shares her take on the world of gossip @monicaatmetro monica.weymouth@metro.us

– Dorothy Robinson will return on Feb. 7.

Way too far, Demi Moore

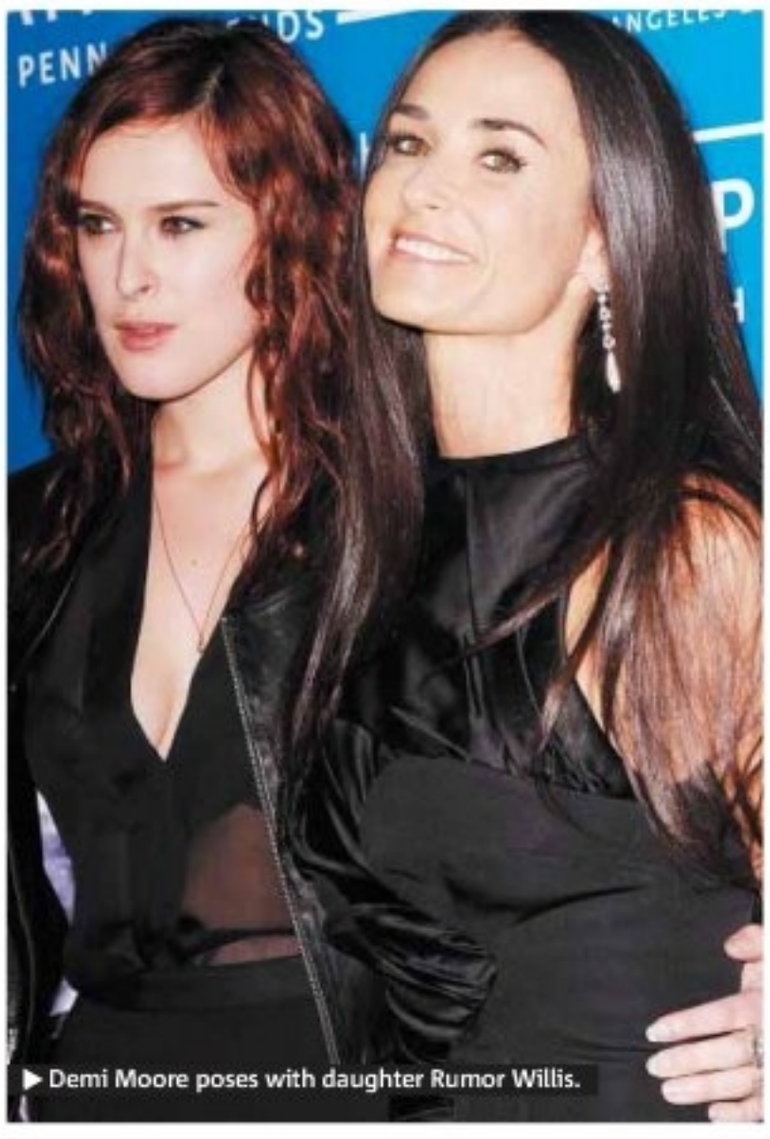
Demi Moore's recent hospitalization didn't quite come as a surprise to those who were close to her, reports Us Weekly. It seems her split from **Ashton Kutcher** had her craving the company of a younger crowd that she wasn't equipped to keep up with.

"She's been really down, and she's surrounding herself with young people to make her feel better," a source tells the magazine. "She's been mixing pills and Red Bulls, among other things."

We want to feel for Demi and her impossibly flawless 49-year-old skin. After spending the past few years with Kutcher — who, although 33, seems to only own cargo pants and flip-flops — the transition to adulthood must be tough.

But moving in on **Zac Efron**? Too far, lady. According to another source, she was pursuing the "High School Musical" star at a recent house party, looking "wired and gaunt."

Listen, Demi: Inappropriately hitting on Zac Efron while tipsy is my deal — and I have "The Word" archives to prove it.


▶ Demi Moore poses with daughter Rumor Willis.

Talking points

Seyfried staying single, thank you

Even though she's set to play adult film star Linda Lovelace on screen, **Amanda Seyfried** is "terrified of being promiscuous," she admits to Glamour magazine. "I don't like the feeling you get when it's not something that you truly want to do, and I hate the emotional abuse you give yourself afterward." Which might have something to do with why Seyfried has taken herself off the market: "Right now I'm happy to not have someone's naked body around me. Except for my dog's."

Have a heart, Madonna!

Madonna's daughter, **Lourdes Leon**, was pressed into service for "W.E.," though her debut performance didn't make the cut, the Material Mom tells MTV. "There was a scene where she played Wally as a young girl, and I just kind of dragged her in at the last minute," Madonna says of having her daughter play a young **Wallis Simpson**, the subject of her new film. "It was quite unfair of me to do what I did and what I asked her to do, but she was really great." Apparently not great enough, though: "I ended up cutting her out of the film. Ruthless, I know," Madonna says. "I said, 'Sorry babe, you're on the cutting-room floor.' She took it like a champ."

Way too much info, Becks

David Beckham wants the world to know he will no longer be hanging out at home in the buff. "My naked days are over," Beckham says while unveiling his new line of underwear for H&M, according to Hollyscoop. "I definitely walk around the house in my underwear. But not naked. With the boys it's not a problem because they're naked all the time — but with a little girl now, it is different."

Lively might want to invest in dolls

Blake Lively is looking forward to having kids one day — and given her extensive wardrobe, she's hoping they can use it. "I hope to have a few girls one day," she tells Elle Magazine. "If not girls, they better be trannies. I have some amazing shoes and bags and stories than need to be appreciated."

Lively

The Lohan countdown has begun

Just when we started to miss **Lindsay Lohan**, it looks like she's about to be a regular presence in our lives again. Not only has she moved into hot-mess headquarters Chateau Marmont, but she has a new boyfriend: **Henry Hopper**, 21-year-old son of the late **Dennis Hopper** and star of **Gus Van Sant**'s recent "Restless," according to TMZ. The happy couple was recently spotted picking up Red Bull and vodka in Venice (really, again? We had hoped rich people had better drugs than Red Bull).

Any time you're ready, Linds.

Olivia Wilde still living the fairy tale

Olivia Wilde opens up about her recent divorce in the new issue of "Town & Country." "The good thing about getting divorced young — if there is a good thing — is that it makes you realize there's no schedule in life," says the actress, who married Italian prince **Tao Ruspoli** at age 18. "It blasts you wide open and frees you to be honest with yourself."

▶ Wilde

That's a healthy way to look at it. But we can't help but wonder: Does it help when the "wide open" is every studio in Hollywood and "yourself" is Olivia Wilde?

Stars, nerds and other critters

1: Bruce Springsteen and actor **Steven Van Zandt** attended the "Lillyhammer" premiere in New York City on Wednesday night.

2: This, sheltered celebrity gossip fans, is what the red carpet looks like when the show is called "Swamp People." Star **Bruce Mitchell** was promoting it in New York on Wednesday.

3: Just us, or does **Daniel Radcliffe** seem to be in over his head here? **Amy Lee** of Evanescence and **Vanessa Hudgens** snuggled up at a taping of "The Tonight Show."

4: Ashley Greene was looking cute in Hollywood on Tuesday evening.

5: Let us eat cake! "Ace of Cakes" star **Duff Goldman** provided the centerpiece for the Hollywood Chamber Of Commerce's 125th birthday party on Wednesday.

6: Leave it to the Aussies: Meet The **Doctor Who Daleks**, who are performing with the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra this weekend.

7: Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show competitors Sofia and Travis got into the Super Bowl spirit Wednesday at Madison Square Garden.

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What's insane is repeating failure

RE: "REP. PAUL MANY NOT SEEM CORRUPT, BUT THAT DOESN'T MAKE HIS AGENDA ANY LESS INSANE": Our national debt is bigger than our entire GDP. Yet we keep borrowing money from China to pay Pakistan to breed more anti-Americanism. Is this sane? This is what happened with Bush and then with Obama. It will happen after the 2012 election regardless of an Obama or Romney presidency. Ron Paul is the only game-changer.
NALIKA FERNANDO, VIA E-MAIL

While I agree that there are legitimate issues on which one can disagree with Congressman Paul, the fact that Mr. Connell offers only name calling ("insane agenda") and shameless fabrication ("make women second-class citizens") seems to indicate that he's not interested in pursuing such a reasonable course of action. On that note, if following the Constitution is so abhorrent to Mr. Connell then I urge him to speak out about abolishing it entirely: Paying lip service when you agree and stomping all over it when it prevents the advancement of your own agenda strikes me as slightly disingenuous.
JESSE M. PORCH, VIA E-MAIL

Why is Romney quote surprising?

RE: "FRESH OFF FLORIDA WIN, ROMNEY LOOSENS LIPS": Romney finally stated a truth that we all are aware of — the GOP doesn't care about poor folks. Republicans are under the misconception that the poor consists mainly of minorities, when anyone knows there are just as many Caucasians who are poor in this country. This also coincides with the myth that only minorities are on welfare. The GOP always will be about those with money! What these cretins fail to acknowledge is that they have made their ill-gotten gains on the backs of others!
LINDA D. BRYANT, PHILADELPHIA

While folks are upset that Mitt Romney stated he isn't "concerned about the very poor," I'm surprised there isn't more of an uproar that he's not "concerned about the very rich" either. After all, his super PAC has raised almost $18 million from only 181 donors. I just hope that Romney's plans to reduce or eliminate the corporate tax and capital gains rates will help smooth things over.
DAVID TERHUNE, VIA E-MAIL

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Let's stop locking away our citizens

Three-strikes laws are stupid. We incarcerate way too many people. Keeping an elderly person in jail for three crimes committed 40 years ago does nothing to protect us from crime.
DAN WYLIE-SEARS, VIA E-MAIL

Corporate killers should go to jail

RE: "BAIN, WALL STREET: OUR TOXIC ELITES": If, as Romney and the other Republicans running for president say, "corporations are people," why was Romney not arrested for murdering a good number of these "people" when he worked for Bain?
STEPHEN PILDER, VIA E-MAIL

Quick lesson for Fox aficionados

RE: "MEDIATING MEDIA: READER REACTIONS": Fox News is an oxymoron. For you Fox aficionados, that means a contradiction in terms.
M. E. THOMPSON VIA E-MAIL

Horoscope

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** A hunger for instant gratification could cause you to spend far more than you should by purchasing something that you know will be on sale next week. Be more disciplined.
♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Courtesy and politeness are always extremely important when dealing with others. If you forgo these graces and act grumpy, it will diminish your popularity with the people you most like.
♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** If you wear your heart on your sleeve, someone you feel strongly about could seriously wound you. Don't allow your emotions to get in the way of reality.
♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Get an understanding in advance that each person will pay his or her own way if you are going out with a friend who always seems to leave the table just before the bill arrives.
♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Unless you treat critical career matters with the seriousness they deserve, you could relax your diligence, start coasting and lose much of the progress you already made. Stay on top of things.
♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Don't let one of your greater assets – the ability to assess situations logically – to lie fallow. It might be fun to be a wishful thinker, but it's far better to be a realistic one.
♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Should the possibility of a misunderstanding arise between you and a friend over something rather silly, straighten it out immediately. If you don't, it could get blown out of proportion.
♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Someone who has disappointed you in the past by letting you down has no problem doing it again. Don't put too much stock in any of his or her promises.
♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Regardless of how badly a certain person wants to try, don't allocate work of an artistic nature to a person whose talents don't run in that vein. Find a way to spare his or her feelings.
♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Under most conditions you are not a clingy person, but there's a good chance you might attempt to hang on to someone who wants to exit the scene. Refrain from doing so.
♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Although you might be pretty good at making promises, you could have a hard time fulfilling them. Avoid making any commitments.
♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Avoid using flattery to get others, such as your co-workers, to do things for you. If insincerity is perceived, it might actually get them to plot against you. **BERNICE BEDE OSOL**

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75 Nursery-rhyme trio

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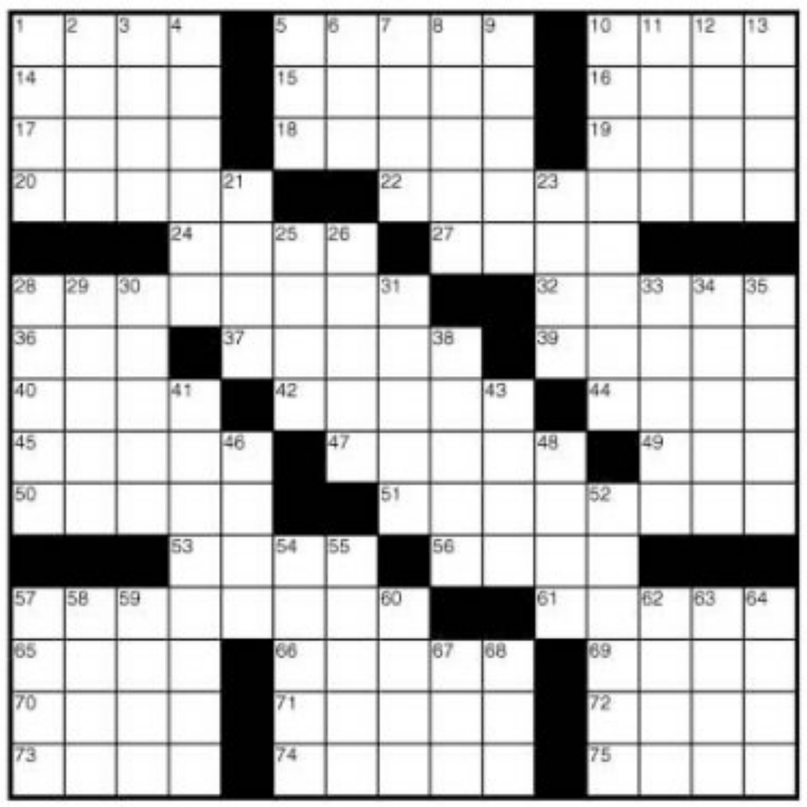

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Solution to Thursday's crossword

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food

Feed time: Local chefs are taking to Twitter

Whether you're looking for restaurant updates, industry gossip or what's for dinner, it's on Twitter Philly chefs you should be following

With more than 200 million user accounts, Twitter is a natural choice for chefs and food personalities to latch onto in order to promote their own restaurants and brands. At only 140 characters per serving, each bite-sized post is a convenient way for busy chefs to share info with a hungry public.

But mastering the fine art of push-pull marketing separates Twitter pros from irritating all-caps offenders, who exhaust every cliche to convince you to venture out in the snow for tonight's rapidly wilting special.

In Philly, "Top Chef: Las Vegas" contestant and girl-about-town Jennifer Carroll (**@ChefJenCarroll**) leads tweeting chefs with a robust 18,024 followers, who will undoubtedly be the first to know when the ex-10 Arts exec reveals details on her upcoming restaurant.

Thirteenth Street doyenne Marcie Turney (**@MarcieTurney**) of Barbuzzo, Lolita and brand-new Jamonera trades jokes with kingpin Marc Vetri (**@MarcVetri**), who hasn't been shy in broadcasting his distaste for the "scam" that is Center City Restaurant Week to 5,836 followers. A taste of trade talk from local leaders like Vetri appeals to the Twittering food-obsessed, who spend enough time thinking about their next bite that a reply from such a chef is a prized interaction.

▶ George Sabatino built up 140-character buzz before opening Stateside (1536 E. Passyunk Ave.).

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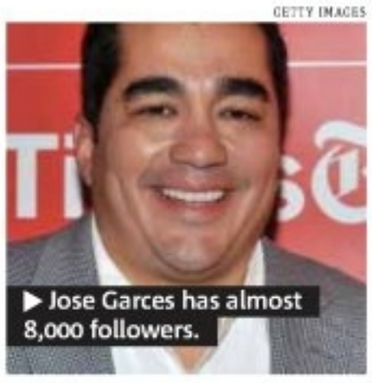
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▶ Jose Garces has almost 8,000 followers.

Since interaction is Twitter's stock-in-trade, chefs who pay attention to mentions by customers can build buzz for the cost of a few minutes per day.

Former Barbuzzo sous George Sabatino (**@gwsabatino**) fostered interest in Stateside by previewing menu items nearly daily on Twitter before the East Passyunk gastropub opened. Though he's only at 225 followers, the daily reinforcement keeps Stateside's superlative braised beef cheeks on the radar of potential guests and food journos alike.

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Following up

Hungry for more? Here are other Philly chefs to follow:

- **@chefjosegarces** (7,925 followers) Obviously written by an assistant, but worth following for occasional Jose tweets from 'round the world.
- **@KSbraga** (5,026) Kevin Sbraga is a super-engaged tweeter who responds personally to many followers.
- **@ChefLevin** (1,626) Former Adsum chef/partner Matt Levin will debut Square Peg this winter; hilariously, his Twitter filter seems permanently busted. (See: **http://lockerz.com/s/178201395**)
- **@foodsyoucaneat** (1,309) South Philly Tap Room and American Sardine Bar chef Scott Schroeder pulls off a mix of rude humor, restaurant updates and non-sequiturs on his personal account.
- **@chefmoni** (1,301) One of Twitter's sweetest, Fish pastry chef Monica Glass mixes business with personal observations and tips on gluten-free eating.
- **@MemeRestaurant** (1,146) Chef/owner David Katz mixes sharing extensive food knowledge with bitterly harsh observations of restaurant life, which may be why he's recently launched a personal account, **@CookDavidKatz**
- **@la_divisa_meats** (261) Southwark sous chef and master charcutier Nick Macri tweets what he's making and what he's eating around town.
- **@samjsycamore** (223) Sam Jacobson of Landsdowne's Sycamore keeps the city folk interested with his updates on specials and photos of whole animals prepared for roasting.

Tweet treats

Twitter's top celeb chefs:

- @JamieOliver: 1,854,812 followers
- @NoReservations (Anthony Bourdain): 729,812
- @Paula_Deen: 660,185
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Chuao potato chips in chocolate, $5, Whole Foods Market

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Dance

DREW CALLAGHAN

▶ Hannah de Keijzer and Gregory Holt star in Green Chair Dance Group's "Tandem Biking and Other Dangerous Pastimes for Two," directed by Alex Torra.

MUSIC

Augustana
Friday, 8 p.m.
$13, The TLA
www.livenation.com

Jack's Mannequin
with Jukebox the Ghost
Saturday, 7 p.m.
$31, The TLA
www.livenation.com

SOJA
with The Movement
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Nick Carter
with Guinevere
Saturday, 7 p.m.
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www.thetroc.com

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Saturday, 8:30 p.m.
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The Darkness
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Tuesday, 8 p.m.
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www.thetroc.com

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Tuesday, 9 p.m.
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www.r5productions.com

Rebirth Brass Band
Wednesday, 8 p.m.
$20, Union Transfer
www.utphilly.com

A$AP Rocky
with Grande Marshall
Wednesday, 8 p.m.
$19, The TLA
www.livenation.com

ARTS & CULTURE

"Love Hurts"
Thursday, 6:15 p.m.
$5-$10, The Penn Museum
www.penn.museum
Don't feel bad: No civilization in history has been able to figure out how to successfully navigate a relationship. This year, Penn Museum's annual Valentine's Day program focuses on Greek history — and includes a cash bar to wash away the bitter.

FOOD & DRINK

Super Bowl Sunday at Distrito
3945 Chestnut St.
www.distritorestaurant.com

Dance

Green Chair Dance Group

Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m.
$20-$30,
The Annenberg Center
www.annenbergcenter.org

The Philly-based company's new program, "Tandem Biking and Other Dangerous Pastimes for Two," opens this weekend at the Annenberg Center and features music by Rosie Langabeer of Pig Iron's Twelfth Night Balkan Band. They tell us it's about "reliability, being stuck in a small space together for too long, geometry and Grandma's cinnamon peaches." Throw in some pie, and we're all over that tandem bike.

▶ Distrito has your Super Bowl eats covered.

STEVE LEGATO

Bring your A-game to this one: From 6-9 p.m. in the tequila lounge, $25 will score you all the tacos and enchiladas your heart desires (or fears), plus $2 select draughts.

BBQ Super Bowl party at London Grill
2301 Fairmount Ave.
www.londongrill.com
They're putting a little spin on the classics over at London Grill with an all-you-can-eat Korean barbecue feast. The $20 includes the food and a "citywide" to wash it down — that'd be a shot of whiskey and a PBR pounder for all of you who woke up feeling OK this morning.

This weekend in AC

▶ Cotton Candy Cake: Add it to the shore food list.

Dig in at Sammy D's

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Comfort food on steroids is the name of the game at Sammy D's, which just opened at Harrah's Resort. Start your meal with unexpected cuisine combos like Philly cheesesteak dumplings and roast pork and broccoli rabe eggrolls before diving into homestyle favorites like a mammoth-sized chicken parmesan and country fried pork chop. If (amazingly) you have room for dessert, the cotton candy cake is topped with all sorts of candy and — you guessed it — a generous helping of pink fluff.

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You down with JPP?

Giants defensive end has taken New York by storm ◗ Now he just needs to take the field in Super Bowl XLVI with the same passion ◗ Big Blue not overlooking maligned Pats defense

As refined as each team's playbook may be, the irony is that perhaps the biggest wild card will be a dominant player who's yet to truly tap into his budding talents.

Giants defensive end Jason Pierre-Paul is a second-year phenom who has terrorized quarterbacks all season long and is looking forward to adding one more big-game prize to his mantel, Patriots quarterback Tom Brady.

The pass rusher said he figures to have quite the competition amongst his teammates in bagging the future Hall of Famer.

"We compete amongst each other and if Justin [Tuck] gets a sack, I want two. If I want two, then Osi [Umenyiora] wants three," Pierre-Paul said. "Basically, you can say that we are greedy but in a good way [because] it helps our team out. We try to get there quick enough to help our secondary cover better and try to get to the quarterback as fast as we can."

If not for Umenyiora, Pierre-Paul would probably be known as the quickest defensive lineman off the snap, as he possesses speed and agility that's unmatched in the league. Pierre-Paul, who took over the starting slot ahead of his mentor as the elder vet battled numerous injuries all season, said despite being the official starter he holds Umenyiora in such high regards.

The phenom allowed that it's Umenyiora who has been his biggest teacher and supporter.

But while he said Umenyiora has taught him a lot, Pierre-Paul said there's one thing the veteran can't teach because it's become a move synonymous with Umenyiora.

"I leave that to Osi, that is Osi's thing," Pierre-Paul said when asked if he's tried to borrow Umenyiora's patented strip-sack move. "He is very good at it and we just try to get after the quarterback and have fun. That is the most important thing. Have fun on the field while you are trying to get after the passer. It's just a great group of guys having fun out there."

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▶ Pierre-Paul led the Giants and was fourth in the NFL with 16.5 sacks in the regular season.

Offense compliments Pats' suspect defense

The Giants are about done with their preparation and after almost two weeks of dissecting the Patriots' allegedly porous defense, they're left wondering where all the criticism is coming from.

"I don't see what other people see [because] I think their defense is good," Brandon Jacobs said. "They've been playing great ever since they lost to us [Nov. 6]."

The Pats were one of the league's worst units in yards allowed, yet were No. 15 in points. They exhibited a bend-but-don't-break mentality because most of the time, teams were playing catch-up.

How well the Giants neutralize DT Vince Wilfork will go a long way in determining their success.

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ANATOMY OF A RIVALRY: GIANTS VS. PATRIOTS

BETWEEN THE TACKLES

It's no secret New York and Boston don't like each other ◗ As the Giants and Patriots prepare for their epic rematch, we examine the rivalry ◗ Is it the NFL's best one? ◗ And which quarterback would you rather ...

What is the NFL's best rivalry?

Redskins-Cowboys hasn't been good since Joe Gibbs and Tom Landry were matching wits. Eagles-Giants has provided some classic moments, but Philadelphia has dominated (winning eight of last nine in the series). Patriots-Colts was way up there — until Peyton Manning's neck injury. And Ravens-Steelers is perennially good, if you like defense.

However, Giants-Patriots has evolved into one of the most intriguing in all of football. While the frequency isn't there — the teams have met just three times since 2008 — the animosity certainly is. Those three games have been decided by an average margin of victory of 3.3 points, with the Giants taking two of them, including a Super Bowl.

Yes, this rivalry is still in its infancy stages, but don't discredit it. New Yorkers hate New Englanders, and vice versa. With that in mind, we take a look inside the rivalry.

▶ Eli Manning

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THE PLAYERS

Osi Umenyiora vs. Matt Light: Umenyiora called Light out for dirty play prior to Super Bowl XLII. Now, he's up to his old tricks after claiming Light shoved him late when the

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"Madden NFL Football" has predicted a 27-24 Giants win. The EA Sports video-game title has been correct six of the last eight times.

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Straight wins for the Patriots to end the season. Their last loss was a 24-20 defeat to the Giants in Week 9.

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Combined passing yards for Tom Brady and Eli Manning, the most by opposing starters in Super Bowl history.

▶ Tom Brady

The two teams met back in Week 9, a 24-20 Giants win. "I've actually fought him twice, actual real fight on the football field, twice," Umenyiora told The Star-Ledger. "Me and him, we have history. We're going to rekindle it on Sunday."

THE CITIES

New York and Boston can't even agree on what constitutes real clam chowder. Is it cream-based or tomato-based? Whatever your choice of soup, the cities are connected, mainly due to Yankees vs. Red Sox. Empire State Building vs. The Hancock ... OK, maybe that's not fair but you get the idea. But one local New York City bar — Foley's Pub — has banned the sale of Boston-based Sam Adams beer during this weekend's big game.

THE COACHES

Like wrinkles, how about this: Tom Coughlin and Bill Belichick won a Super Bowl together 21 years ago as assistants under the legendary Bill Parcells. Belichick as defensive coordinator, Coughlin as receivers coach. "I would say that as an assistant coach it was the best relationship that I have ever had with another counterpart in that way," Belichick said recently.

THE QBS

Tom Brady has those lead-actor looks and the arm candy to prove it, in supermodel wife, Gisele. However, a recent poll conducted by cheater's website AshleyMadison.com revealed that 54 percent of married women would rather have an affair with "aww shucks"-looking Eli Manning. Brady, of course, has two more Lombardis than Manning.

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Point counterpoint

Anything you can do, I can do better

New York and Boston are separated by about 215 odd miles, at least geographically. But their sports fans might as well be oceans apart.

We gave the keys to the Super Bowl debate machine to Metro's two rival sport editors and let the venom spew.

The one thing both men could agree on ... well, other than that Ines Sainz is one hot sideline reporter ... is that Super Bowl XLVI should be one heck of a football game. METRO

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The Patriots are favorites in this game for one reason — 2002 to 2005.

Sorry, New England, but this isn't the same team. Tom Brady is still great, no question. And yes, you've added two tremendous tight ends. (Well, maybe one and a half for this game.) But that is, quite literally, all you have going for you.

The Giants, meanwhile, are living in the present. Eli Manning is in the prime of his career, he has two dynamite young receivers in Hakeem Nicks and Victor Cruz, and the defensive line is the best in football.

We know both teams have bad secondaries, so throw them out. But you can make a legitimate case that the Giants have two better running backs, two better receivers and three better defensive ends than anyone on the Pats.

It's quite simple — over the past 10 games the best QB the Patriots have beaten is Mark Sanchez. Who's the worst quarterback the Giants have faced the last 10 games? Mark Sanchez.

The Patriots are stepping up in class and it shouldn't be as close as Super Bowl XLII or Week 9 this year.

We want to know which side famed reporter Ines Sainz is cheering for.

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We understand if this means everything to you New York. I mean, it's rare that one of your nine pro teams (New Jersey counts, right?) makes it to the title game.

With seven pro titles in the past decade, this whole Super Bowl deal has become just another event for us in Boston. So we say, enjoy it guys. Welcome to the big time.

At the same time, it should still sting a tad to know that two of the three Super Bowl titles in Giants history were directly won by our head coach, Bill Belichick. *HIS* game plan for Super Bowl XXV, *not Parcells,'* is in Canton and it's a well-known fact that Belichick schemed Lawrence Taylor to the top and the Fat Tuna never won jack without the hooded prince.

As for Sunday, it will be next to impossible to duplicate the luckiest play in sports history (Tyree's helmet catch). So, good luck with that.

And your favorite hick son Eli? One season does not make a Hall of Famer. As of today, he's Trent Dilfer with a goofy haircut and a Southern twang.

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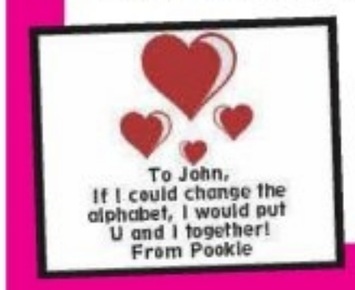

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GRABBING THE CLUTCH

Sports psychologist breaks down Super Bowl ◗ Why are some players so good under pressure? ◗ Brady or Manning? ◗ Metro takes a look

Metro caught up with sports psychologist Dr. Jack Stark, who has worked with hundreds of pro athletes on mental preparedness for big games like the Super Bowl.

Stark gave his insight into what makes guys like Eli Manning and Tom Brady so clutch in big spots. Here's some highlights from the interview:

Doctor, what makes some players perform better in high-pressure situations?
Well, some people, when they get down to the, you know, you saw what happened in the playoffs ... the Ravens missed an easy field goal and the 49ers, the kickoff guy, had two — a fumble and another one hit his leg — for a turnover. It cost them. Some people get anxious, nervous. Some people just want the ball. The bigger the playing field, the more relaxed they get and the happier they are. They just kind of go in that zone and it all depends on the personality.

Survey says ...

PollBuzzer conducted a survey on Super Bowl viewing habits. Here they are:

- **77 percent** of U.S. adults will watch the Super Bowl
- **53 percent** of those will stay home or host a party
- **14 percent** of those will watch it live in Indianapolis
- **32 percent** of those will head to either a family/friend's house or a bar/restaurant

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What makes Eli Manning and Tom Brady so good in those tight situations?
Both of them are great, cerebral guys. Smart guys, calm, collected. They have to be in the pocket and have guys come moving by you and wanting to take your head off half the time, but I think they are both very gifted in that sense — neither one of them seems to get rattled and neither one of them is injured at this point, so I think it's going to be on their shoulders. They are going to shine and either one of them is going to make it or break it. It's going to come down, I think, to a couple of plays.

Who do you think is better in the clutch: Eli or Brady?
I think Brady's slightly better in the clutch because he's been there so many times, but you know Eli is not that far behind. He's not a guy that gets too high or too low; that's what you like about him. He's a lot like his brother. He's been taught that you don't get too excited ... you score a touchdown and you're not jumping up and down going crazy, screaming and yelling.

Is the players' preparation different during the Super Bowl than in a regular-season game?
In society, in the way we look at things, the regular season counts but the playoffs count even more because that's what determines the championship. If Eli gets two championships, is that better than the 10 great years and one championship by Peyton? That's how we measure things, with rings. LeBron [James] doesn't have one and Michael Jordan has six.

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"You want to follow the sharp money, you want to follow the Warren Buffetts of our industry," said Dan Fabrizio, the president of SportsInsights. "Not the other way around."

Sunday's game between the Patriots and Giants sticks out to Fabrizio, and not just because it's the Super Bowl. As of Thursday, 61 percent of bets were coming in on the underdogs from New York.

"That's very rare. Typically, you'll see the favorite getting the majority of public bets," said Fabrizio. "I would say nine times out of 10 it's going to be on the favorite."

Everyone and their grandmother wagers the Super Bowl, so the line appears to be getting pushed by unsophisticated, or "square" bettors. After opening at Patriots minus-3.5 in most spots, the line has gone to minus-3 and minus-2.5 in some shops.

SportsInsights is recommending a play on the Patriots at minus-2.5. No one knows if that will hit, but we do know that they will be cheering when the bookies cheer.

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Trust the BCS?

- In the regular season, **LSU beat Alabama** in Tuscaloosa. However, the Tigers ended up as an underdog in the BCS title game. Sports books took significantly more action on LSU. Alabama easily won the game, netting the "sharp" bettors and the books a nice payday.
- In the regular season, **the Giants beat the Patriots in Foxboro**. However, the Giants are now an underdog and garnering the majority of bets from the public.

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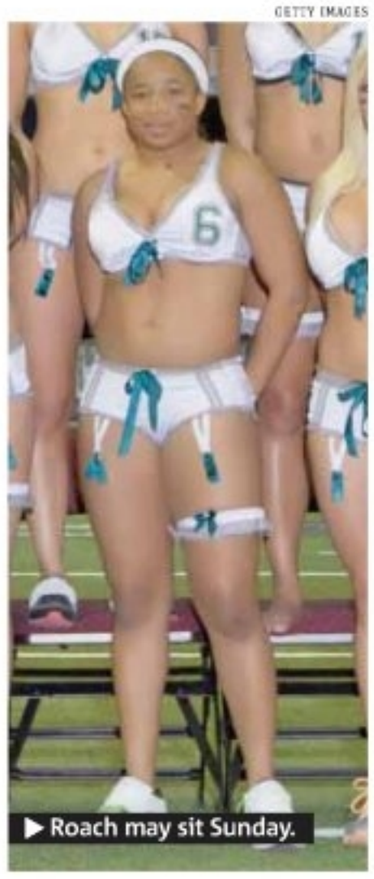
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